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AMENDMENT A

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 9, 2001 (Paper No. 12), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Applicants propose to amend Figs. 11 and 12 to include the legend "Prior Art," as shown on the attached marked-up drawing sheets.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please add the following paragraph at p. 3, between lines 13 and 14:

--The term "green sheet" preferably refers to a master plate.--

Please substitute the following clean paragraph for the existing paragraph on p. 15, lines 21-25. A marked-up version of the amended paragraph follow the Remarks section of this Amendment.

Page 15, lines 21-25:

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According to the method of manufacturing a head base as described above, the green sheet 10, once manufactured, can reused repeatedly as long as durability permits. The manufacturing steps for the second and subsequent head bases can therefore be omitted, thus permitting reduction of the number of processes and cost reduction.